

## BRIEF STATE NEWS

**THEODORE KEUMN**, who is putting in an ice plant at Nara, Va., will generate current for an electric light system in that town.

**THE INTERNATIONAL Karskule Sheep** company has been organized to introduce this breed of sheep in the lower Rio Grande valley. The capital is \$100,000 and John H. Reynolds, of Albuquerque, and Felix Martinez, of El Paso, are among the incorporators.

**A FREIGHT WRECK** on the Colorado & Southern six miles west of Clayton, blocked traffic on that line for 12 hours last week. Nine cars left the track and were badly smashed.

**THE LINCOLN County Teachers' association** will meet at Clayton March 10 and 11. The keynote of the meeting will be industrial education.

**THE MAGDALENA Rifle club** has awarded a contract for a rifle range, which will be equipped with two of the latest disappearing targets, a wind gauge, and a telephone line. Traps for shotgun shooting also will be installed.

**MAGDALENA** has organized a band, and is looking forward to concerts during the summer.

**THE POSTOFFICE** at Mesquite, Luna county, has been destroyed by fire. Clerk Klem, non-in-law of Postmaster Ciesler, was severely burned.

**THE IMPROVED Order of Red Men** of New Mexico elected the following officers at its recent meeting in Deming: James L. Turner, Santa Rita, great sachem; O. P. M. Dempsey, Mogollon, great senior sagamore; R. H. Hughes, Deming, great junior sagamore; Thos. E. Blavett, Shuford, great keeper of records; W. D. Woerner, Knowles, great keeper of weapons; Wm. J. Mulhane, Carlsbad, great prophet; Leon L. Godeaux, Deming, great

representative. The appointive chiefs were: David Flint, Santa Fe, great guard of the forest; A. M. Ponting, Deming, great guard of the wigwag; Dan Hathaway, Deming, great snapper.

**THE DEMING papers** announced that William Foster, former sheriff of Luna county, died there last week on the day that his successor in office, Dwight B. Stephens, was buried. He was 44 years of age, and death was due to cancer.

**FORD HARVEY** has protested against the proposed site of the new Harvey hotel at Gallup, which is near the present round house, some distance from the business section of the city. As a result of the protest it is probable that the new hotel will be built near the site of the present temporary eating house.

**AUDIE and Ethel Weldon**, actors of the Glendale district of Quay county, brought down a big gray wolf near that town a few days ago. The wolf showed fight, but one of the girls shot the animal through the brain and the other girl shot it through the heart.

**ALAMOGORDO** will vote on a bond issue of \$150,000 for municipal waterworks April 4. Gallup is getting ready to vote on a bond issue of \$50,000 for the enlargement of its present water system.

**SANTIAGO Lucero** was arrested at Pinta, Torrance county, last week on charges of stealing horses and forging checks. He is now in the Estancia jail. Lucero passed two forged checks for \$20 each, and presented a third, which was not cashed.

**SENATOR Catron** has introduced in the senate a bill for the purchase of a site and the erection of a federal building in Silver City at a cost of not to exceed \$100,000.

## News of State

### Livestock Industry

Meirone, N. M., Feb. 9.—John B. Yenkey, one of our most substantial registered Hereford breeders of the Meadfield community, has returned from Fredonia, Kansas, where he bought twenty registered Hereford cows. He has already 15 little calves. Baxter & Doughton had him bring 10 two-year-old heifers for them. The cattle are among the finest that have been brought into Curry county.

Carlsbad, N. M., Feb. 23.—A deal was closed last week in the city of S. D. Steenis, whereby Peto Echeverry bought the thirty-section ranch belonging to Hart, Thompson and Hayes. This land is part of the old Barber & Holt range, and was sold about six months ago to Hart and Thompson, by W. J. Barber. It contains three waterings and forty acres of patented land. Echeverry is a plains sheepman.

Fort Sumner, N. M., Feb. 23.—Bob McKenna has shipped 3,500 head of ewes to El Centro, Cal. El Centro is in the Imperial valley. He sold the wool for \$7.00. The sheep cost him \$4 a head last fall.

Carlsbad, N. M., Feb. 23.—Lee H. Lytton and J. J. Beals have returned from the plains country. Mr. Lytton going on to Fort Worth, Texas. He purchased, through Mr. Beals, 800 head of two-year-old steers from Mr. Lane, of Gomez, Texas.

Mr. Russell, from the Delaware, was in town last week looking for goats, wanting 1,500 head or more.

Petaluma, N. M., Feb. 23.—The Williamson Cattle & Loan company has received one hundred and thirty-eight head of good grade cows at the stock pens west of town. These cows are in addition to several hundred previously brought in, and like the others, will be placed with farmers in this district.

## 200 FOOT DAM ON RED RIVER

Farmers East of Maxwell Complete System to Water 1,100 Acres.

Maxwell, N. M., Feb. 23.—Farmers in the Batschable district, across the river east of Maxwell, have finished building a 200-foot rock and concrete dam across Red river, and have just about completed the necessary ditches for carrying the water. Much of the Batschable system was washed away during the flood last summer, but the new work is of such substantial character that it is believed to experts that it will stand for many years to come.

There are more than 1,100 acres under this ditch, and some of the best crops in the county are grown there. The new system will give the farmers plenty of water, and work has already been started to put every acre under the ditch into crops this year.

## Prospector's Remains Are Still Unburied

Las Alamos, N. M., Feb. 3.—The remains of A. W. VanHouten, the old prospector who wandered away from home and died a short time ago, are still awaiting burial in an unburied state at Redrock. His membership in a Moore lodge could not be located, and his sister has not been heard from.

## FAMOUS NATURALIST PRAISES NEW MEXICO GAME PROTECTORS

W. T. HORNADAY SAYS ORGANIZATION WORK IN THIS STATE SHOULD BE VALUABLE OBJECT LESSON FOR OTHERS IN CONSERVING WILD LIFE.

The Albuquerque Game Protective association has received a letter from Dr. Wm. T. Hornaday, of New York, America's great naturalist and national leader in the protection of wild life, highly praising the work of the New Mexico game protective association. "I think that the splendid work that is being done in New Mexico should be capitalized in other states and cited as an example of what each state ought to do for its wild life," says Dr. Hornaday. "The object lesson is very much needed. It may interest you to know that in a lecture that I delivered at Yale university I cited the work in New Mexico as an example of the work that might be done by public spirited men in every state."

In commenting on the work which the New Mexico associations have done for the establishment of game refuges, Dr. Hornaday says: "I am glad that you are boldly taking the ground that unless our game sanctuary plan works out, nothing will save the deer of your state except five year closed seasons. I also congratulate you most heartily on securing the adoption of Mr. Ed. M. Otero, president of the New Mexico Woolgrowers, to the game refuge plan. I realize fully all that that means to our cause."

Dr. Hornaday expresses himself as particularly pleased with the recent organization of game protective associations in Clarendon, Carlsbad and Roswell, and states that he will have the progress of the New Mexico movement announced in all the sportsman's magazines in the country. Officers of the Albuquerque association also point out that the American Game Protective and Propagation association has requested an article on the New Mexico movement for publication in their official organ.

## Minneapolis Man Interested In Oil In Carlsbad District

Carlsbad, N. M., Feb. 23.—N. C. Christensen, of Minneapolis, has been in town looking over the oil situation. He became interested in this section through George Smith, an attorney, who was at one time at Carlsbad. The oil was taken down toward the Black River country in company with A. M. Hoy and John Levi in the McLaughlin car, under the chaperonage of C. H. McLaughlin. The party looked over the situation in that country and studied maps prepared by E. M. Shanks, a former geologist of Carlsbad, who is much interested in the field, and who is at present located at San Diego. Mr. Christensen is enthusiastic about the opportunities offered, and may make arrangements to develop the field later.

**POULTRY FOR SALE.** Eagle Poultry Yards, Harrold Plymouth Rocks exclusively. Fertile eggs for hatching, both mating large fowls, well marked birds. \$2 for 25. Mrs. A. A. Sales, Naton, N. M.

## METHODISTS TO HOLD CONFERENCE IN SPRINGER

Springer, N. M., Feb. 23.—On April 5, 6 and 7, the annual sub-district conference of the clergy of the Methodist conference in this state, will be held in this city. Practically all of the prominent ministers of that church in the state will be in attendance. Those who already have signified their intention of being here are: M. O. Brinkman, of Silver City; S. Alonso, of El Paso; H. W. Wood, of El Paso; H. A. Bassett, Albuquerque; R. S. Dunn, Las Vegas; R. E. Hammond, Santa Fe; W. E. Seville, Maxwell; J. A. Lewis, Cimarron; H. R. Mills and John Burdman, Raton; W. R. Altman, Den Moines; R. L. Matthews, Polson; R. P. Gaines, Clayton; Edwin Gashill, Nara Vista; R. E. Farley, Mountain; S. L. Ford, St. J. L. Meredith, Solano, and Nola W. Burd, Esquina.

## Ice Cream Man Puts Oil on the Stove; in Hospital

(By Special Correspondent.)  
Tyrone, N. M., Feb. 23.—The old-fashioned man who pours coal oil in a stove that has fire in it lives here, and at present he is in the local hospital. He is C. W. Black, an ice cream manufacturer, and he was seriously burned about the face and on the hands when the inevitable explosion occurred. The explosion also set fire to Black's building, but the fire was extinguished by Miss Ada Reynolds and other neighbors. Black will recover.

## Grafted Out of Funeral Collections

Gallup, N. M., Feb. 23.—Frank Borello was found guilty in the court of Justice of the Peace Richardson on the charge of having obtained money under false pretenses. He was fined \$50 and costs, in lieu of which he was sentenced to serve 90 days in jail. It was charged that Borello was collecting money to be used in paying funeral and burial expenses of Mrs. Dominick, of Navajo, who died recently. He collected quite a sum, but turned over to those having charge of the funeral but a small portion of what was collected. It was found that he did not put down on his list all sums paid him, and that he kept some of the money the list called for. He was arrested as soon as the shortage was discovered by friends of the Dominick family.

## McKinley Cattle In Splendid Shape

Gallup, N. M., Feb. 23.—Lynn McCoy is here from a point on the desert seventy miles north of Gallup. He is foreman of the range out there, and reports that range cattle are in splendid condition and would make fine beef without feed. He says that the grass is already beginning to grow, and the outlook is for the best feed for cattle and sheep, the coming summer, that there has been for years. A Kansas City commission firm has gone into partnership with Archie McCoy, San Juan county assessor, and G. S. Willhite, and they have nine hundred head of cattle ranging within about twenty miles, north by west, of Crowpoint.

## NEW COAL MINE AT CARBON CITY

Direct Line Coal Company at Gallup Getting Ready to Operate on Large Scale.

Gallup, N. M., Feb. 23.—The Direct Line Coal company will be ready to begin operations at full capacity by the opening of the next season of heavy coal demand. The contract for constructing the grade for the track from the main line of the Santa Fe to the mine is well under way, and the track itself will be laid within a short time.

After the track is laid the recently purchased machinery will be shipped here and installed. Arthur Jones, president of the company, has returned from El Paso, where he went to purchase land and material. He states that when the mine equipment is all in place the property can be worked to the capacity of 1,000 tons of coal per day, and that the whole output has been assured, which assures Gallup another big industry carrying a large payroll.

## SUGAR BEETS SURE AT LAS CRUCES

Planting in Mesilla Valley to Begin in Short Time; Over 150 Acres To Go In.

Las Cruces, N. M., Feb. 23.—The Rio Grande valley sugar beet project is well under way, and the planting of seed will begin within a very short time. All of the land has been selected and is being prepared for the seedling, and growers, now numbering thirty, have been allotted the acreage which they will cultivate. The total is a little over 150 acres, and this has been given through the efforts of the original committee on sugar beets, assisted by Superintendent Phil Erickson and County Agent Barker.

**WARD TO PROBE SHOOTING.** Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 23.—District Attorney Charles W. G. Ward is today in Fort Sumner, where he will make a thorough investigation of the shooting of Deputy Sheriff "Sal" Barker, who was shot and wounded by James Brown at Fort Sumner last Monday.

## PANTAGRAPH EDITOR HAS VERY CLOSE CALL; SUBSTITUTE GETS IN BAD WITH VENGEANCE

BLAS SANCHEZ ALMOST CROSSES DIVIDE WHEN HE READES AT TACK IN OWN PAPER ON C. O. P. SAINTS; APOLOGY IS PROFFERED.

When Blas Sanchez, of Wagon Mound, chief clerk of the last house of representatives and editor of "The Pantagraph" and "El Combate," slipped and fell in Las Vegas about two weeks ago, breaking his leg, the man in temporary charge of his editorial functions also slipped and tumbled, nearly fracturing the relations of the Mora county editor with the G. O. P. With Sanchez safely in the hospital, his understudy at Wagon Mound proceeded to print some personal opinions of several of the distinguished candidates for Republican nomination, calling up a historic question about Bureau and the books and referring disrespectfully to at least two county school boards. Frank Hinchell's comment: When copies of his weeklies reached Sanchez at Las Vegas his case suddenly became complicated by simultaneous attacks of brain fever and nervous prostration, and for a time it was feared that he might not recover. Heroic work on the part of the attending physicians, however, finally had its effect, and as soon as Sanchez became sufficiently composed to write he kept the moral department busy carrying apologetic editorials to Wagon Mound for publication in last week's issues. Here is the apology tendered Mr. Bureau:

"The editor of this paper sincerely regrets the appearance in its columns in the issue of February 17 of the three line paragraph disrespectfully mentioning his old time friend Mr. Bureau. There is no man in the state who stands higher in respect and confidence with me than that gentleman. Holm C. Bureau, of Socorro county, it was decidedly the misfortune of this paper and of its editor that the letter was confined in the hospital, and unable to write or to see any of the matter written for that issue, and that the edition had to be gotten out without his supervision. The Pantagraph retracts the allusion to Mr. Bureau and apologizes to its readers for the unwarranted affront to their sense of fairness."

In an attempt to make amends for the disrespect shown, Bernalillo county's "uplift" candidate for the senatorial nomination, Sanchez said: "Concerning the candidacy of the Honorable Frank A. Hobbell for the United States senate, we wish to be placed on record as sincerely believing that Mr. Hobbell is amply qualified for the position of trust by reason of his long residence and close connection with the business and political interests of this state. We wish it to be clearly understood that we are in no manner opposed to Mr. Hobbell or his candidacy, but on the contrary we believe that it would be wise for the Republican party to place him on the ticket, for we believe that he has the interests of the state deeply at heart, will be a very popular candidate among the people, and will perform the duties of United States senator with complete advantage to his constituency."

## Santa Fe Work at Gallup Progressing

Gallup, N. M., Feb. 23.—The grading work at the Santa Fe's new roundhouse site is progressing satisfactorily, regardless of the fact that the contracting company was seriously handicapped by the recent heavy fall of rain and snow. The machinery, which was stalled in the mud, has all been extricated and polished up and staked up, and is again at work.

At points where the new buildings are going to be erected, and where the new site has already been graded for the purpose, the building locations are already being laid out and the grounds and the limits of the buildings are being surveyed and staked.

## Col. Twitchell Donates Land For School Garden

Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 23.—Colonel Ralph E. Twitchell, of Santa Fe, has given to the Normal University the use of an eighth of an acre of land lying close to the school for use as a garden. Under the direction of H. V. Matthey, instructor in agriculture in the school, the boys and girls will learn gardening. The children of the city, even though not enrolled in the Normal, may be admitted to the classes in gardening. Colonel Twitchell's generosity is much appreciated by the school.

## Eight Deaths From Whooping Cough in Village of Torreon

Estancia, N. M., Feb. 23.—There are said to be several cases of whooping cough in several of the villages in the Torreon district. The children of the village, even though not enrolled in the Normal, may be admitted to the classes in gardening. Colonel Twitchell's generosity is much appreciated by the school.

## MEETING IS CALLED OF DEPOSITORS AND BANK CREDITORS

STATE'S INTERVENING PETITION IN MATTER OF FIRST STATE BANK TO BE DISCUSSED AT LAS CRUCES

(By Special Correspondent.)  
Las Cruces, N. M., Feb. 23.—A meeting of depositors and other creditors of the defunct First State Bank will be held at the courthouse here next Saturday morning for the purpose of discussing the intervening petition filed by the state in the receivership suit, and which makes a claim of priority in the disposition of the bank's funds, under the bond given by treasurer of the State College. Some action in connection with the petition probably will be taken. The call for the meeting has been issued by Receiver Lafayette Clapp, and followed the receipt by him of a letter from Judge Medler, calling attention to the state's petition. In this letter Judge Medler said:

"As your position of receiver requires you to assume a neutral attitude with respect to the claims of the various classes of depositors, and therefore you, or your attorneys, could not properly resist the legal questions involved in this intervening petition, it has occurred to me that the various depositors of the bank should be represented in the matter of the determination of this petition in order that their rights may be protected. Should this petition prevail, I understand it would practically mean that the individual depositors would ultimately receive nothing in the way of dividends from the bank. Owing to the importance of this matter to the depositors, a meeting of the depositors should be held in order that they might be fully advised of the situation and enabled to take such action as they may see fit. The question raised is one purely of law, and the depositors should have an opportunity to be represented if they so desire, or if they see fit to place the matter to be passed upon by counsel, without being represented by counsel, will proceed to do so. The attorney general has expressed himself as being desirous, in the event I should decide this petition adversely to him, of appealing the case to the supreme court of the state, and in this event the depositors would then have to be represented by counsel on such appeal."

## Alleged Murderer Protests Innocence

Estancia, N. M., Feb. 23.—Delfino Barrera, charged with killing Pedro Lopez, at Mountainair, had his preliminary trial before Justice Fuller at Mountainair, and was held to the grand jury under bond of \$1,000, which he furnished and was released. The accused man stoutly asserts his innocence. He admits that he was in the midst of the crowd here the shooting occurred, but asserts that the shot which killed Lopez came from the back of where he (Barrera) was standing.

## El Pasion to Plant 400 Acres of Cotton In the Pecos Valley

Artesia, N. M., Feb. 23.—G. Humphrey, part owner and manager of the Paso del Norte hotel at El Paso, owns 400 acres of good land near Dayton, this county, and has two artesian wells, both supplied with modern pumping plants, on the land. He will put out from three to four hundred acres in cotton this year, and his manager, Mr. Lusk, will put in a canning factory and cotton gin. On the Humphrey land will be planted 30 acres of tomatoes, and the citizens living near Dayton will put out seventy-five acres more.

## U. S. Jurors See the Elephant Butte Dam

The United States petit jury at Albuquerque, hearing nineteen appeals from awards made by commissioners for land condemned for the Elephant Butte irrigation project, was sent to Elephant Butte to view the land involved in the appeals. The jury left Monday night accompanied by a bailiff and a deputy United States marshal, and interpreter. The jury will leave the train at Kingle Junction, will be taken up the lake created by the Elephant Butte dam in motor boats, and then take to horses to see the appellants' lands.

One hundred witnesses appeared for the appellants. The government had summoned a much smaller number. Upon the return of the jury each side will be permitted to place only three witnesses upon the stand. By the jury's verdict in the first group of Elephant Butte appeals, the seven appellants made a total gain of little more than \$200 over the awards made by the commissioners.

## Department of the Interior. A. L. Lusk Official

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 4, 1915.  
Notice is hereby given that Victor Barrera, of Buckman, N. M., who, on March 27, 1913, made a homestead entry, No. 51,000, for NE 1/4, Sec. 21, T. 21 N., R. 10 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed with me, A. L. Lusk, land office at Santa Fe, N. M., on the 23rd of March, 1915.

## Salary Too Much, Jolt Candidate Gives Public

Startling Spectacle in San Juan, Where Aspirant For Assessorship Wants to Contribute Part of Pay to School Fund; Announcements Multiplying

The unique spectacle of a candidate for county office in New Mexico declaring that the salary attached to the office he is after is too large and agreeing to contribute a part of it, if elected, to the county school fund, is now presented in San Juan county. The candidate in question is W. E. Williams, former treasurer of the county, who is seeking the Republican nomination for county assessor. In his published announcement he says:

"I believe the salary of \$1750 per year for assessor is excessive; and I will (if nominated and elected) give a bond agreeing to contribute to the school fund of San Juan county all over \$1200 per year."

Four candidates for assessor have already appeared in San Juan county. They are: Beulah Williams, J. M. Thomas, who likewise wants the Republican nomination, and C. E. Cameron and Walter Crandall, who will make the fight for the Democratic nomination. Other recent San Juan county announcements are those of J. C. Quinn, C. J. Kirk, Frank Wood, Herman N. Rathjen, J. A. McWilliams and E. L. Allen for the Democratic nomination for sheriff; County Treasurer R. W. Hedlin for the Democratic nomination for county clerk, and J. L. G. Burdett for renomination by the Democrats as school superintendent. Democratic primaries will be held in that county on April 20.

In Chaves county a number of candidates have made formal announcements within the last week. Ben C. Davidson, present deputy treasurer, is out for the Democratic nomination for treasurer, as are W. W. Ogil, M. L. Cottingham and Kerrel L. Randolph. Sheriff C. R. Yeung is seeking renomination and at present is being opposed by his former deputy, Jim W. Johnson. County School Superintendent C. C. Hill is asking to be appointed to retain his position, and has an opponent in Mrs. T. W. Hayes of Roswell. Ernest Best and Henry D. Johnson are candidates for the Democratic nomination for county assessor.

## MAGDALENA COPPER COMPANY PLANNING TO ESTABLISH CUSTOM SMELTER AT THE CAMP

PLANT IN SOCORRO COUNTY DISTRICT WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE OPERATION OF NUMEROUS SMALL MINES; STATE MINING NEWS.

(By Special Correspondent.)  
Magdalena, N. M., Feb. 23.—The Magdalena Copper company, recently organized to operate the inaccessible mines in this district, announces that it is making arrangements to establish a smelter which will do custom work in addition to treating the company's own. At the present time there is not a custom smelter in New Mexico. Such a smelter in this district will make possible the operation of numerous small mines that cannot pay the cost of transportation and the high cost of smelting at a distance and will tend to open up this field.

**TO UNWATER SNAKE AND OPPORTUNITY PROPERTIES.** Hillsboro, N. M., Feb. 23.—P. H. Williams, who is in charge of operations for the Chino interests at the

## FORTUNE AWAITING MEN WHO WILL UTILIZE WHITE SANDS OF OTERO COUNTY

ALAMOGORDO BOOSTER TELLS OF WONDERFUL GYPSUM DEPOSIT, 135,000 ACRES IN EXTENT AND 34 PER CENT PURE

**GREAT DUNES, STRETCHING FOR MILES ADAPTED TO INFINITE VARIETY OF COMMERCIAL USES, LAND COMMISSIONER IS TOLD**

A fortune awaits the men who will utilize the famous white sands of Otero county in the manufacture of products for building and decorative purposes, in the opinion of Otto L. Tinkpaugh, secretary of the Alamogordo Commercial Club. He expresses this opinion in a letter to State Land Commissioner Robert F. Brinn, which is in reply to the circular letter recently sent out by Brinn, asking for suggestions as to industries that might be profitably established in various parts of the state. In his letter, Secretary Tinkpaugh says: "I wish to call your attention to the immense deposits of gypsum to the west of Alamogordo, which offer enormous possibilities. These white sands, 125,000 acres in extent, are 34 per cent pure gypsum. When calcined, this value in gypsum, they become plaster of paris and are suitable for building and decorative purposes. The calcined sand, mixed with water, forms a mortar that is easily handled, molds well, and which, owing to its whiteness, can be colored even to the most delicate tints. The wonderful products offer themselves for decorative use far better than most materials. A white sand brick can be saved, cut with a knife and will withstand hail, snow, etc., without breaking. It has a great beauty value. We have houses and a structure of white sand brick and out which are good examples of the use of the material. The raw product is on the surface of the ground in dunes from 10 to 100 feet deep, 15 miles from the railroad. These sands, I believe, offer a wonderful opportunity for parties with sufficient capital to develop them."

Mr. Tinkpaugh also calls Commissioner Brinn's attention to the granite formations existing in several parts of the state, and suggests that the granite might be used for tombstones and other fine work. He says that a granite quarry near Alamogordo has been worked on a small scale for a number of years.